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Fitchburg Duo Sights UFO Above Route 2 in Acton

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ACTON — A Fitchburg brother and sister sighted a bright unidentified object in the sky over Route 2 early last night and said the object was moving east toward Boston at a height of about 100 yards.

Miss Anne Lawler, 20, a junior at Fitchburg State College, anr her brother, Kevin, 16, a sophomore at Notre Dame High School in Fitchburg, said they observed the object as they were traveling in the westbound lane. Their parents are Mr. and Mrs. William P. Lawler of 329 Highland Ave., Fitchburg.

"I just know people aren't going to believe us," Anne Lawler said later last night, "but it's true. I'm writing down every detail now, so I won't forget it."

Kevin said his sister was driving when he observed a light in the sky. "There were no stars out tonight, so I thought it was one of those high Texaco signs in the distance," he said.

His sister said the light became brighter as they traveled toward it, and she finally pulled to the side of the road.

Three Legs

"It was moving slowly, and I got a good look at it," she said. "It seemed to be enormous. It had three significant legs at the bottom and the bottom of the object itself was definitely circular. There were two brilliant beams coming from the front of it, and the rest of it has sort of a pinpoint light — like light coming through a strainer," she continued.

"Honest to God, it was real," she said. "I don't want to tell you any more. No opinions or anything. I'm just telling you what happened. When I got home and told my mother and father, I started crying. I just know no one is going to believe us.

"I looked for cars, but only one car had passed us in our lane. I blew the horn, hoping someone else would come along. No one else was there and the location we were in was sort of woodsy at the side of the road," she added.

Large Triangles

The Lawlers said the object seemed to be metallic, judging from the appearance of its color. Miss Lawler said there looked like what appeared to be triangles on each side of the object.

"It was as if you took a round thing and stuck two triangles on," she said.

Miss Lawler said she and her brother had been in Boston for the wake and funeral of their grandmother and hadn't watched television or read accounts of other sightings throughout the nation. "It was when we got home and people started talking about the sightings that appeared in the papers that we realized what it might be, but I have no conclusions. I only know what I saw," she said.

State Police at both the Concord and Leominster barracks said they hadn't received any other reports of sightings last night.

The brother and sister said they would draw a description from memory and try to include every detail. "It's awful, though," Anne Lawler said. "I just know nobody's going to believe this."

UFO Brightens Sky

FITCHBURG — Two Fitchburg residents reported sighting an unidentified flying object on Route 2 at the South Street exit.

Mrs. Eleanor M. Giaquinto and her daughter, Paula, of 299 Rollstone St. reported sighting the object in the sky shortly after 10 last night.

"We were just turning onto South Street," Paula said, "when we saw a bright object in the sky."

Paula said the object was egg-shaped and disappeared in a northerly direction.

"We stopped the car in the middle of South Street and looked all around the sky," she said. "It was pretty high up."